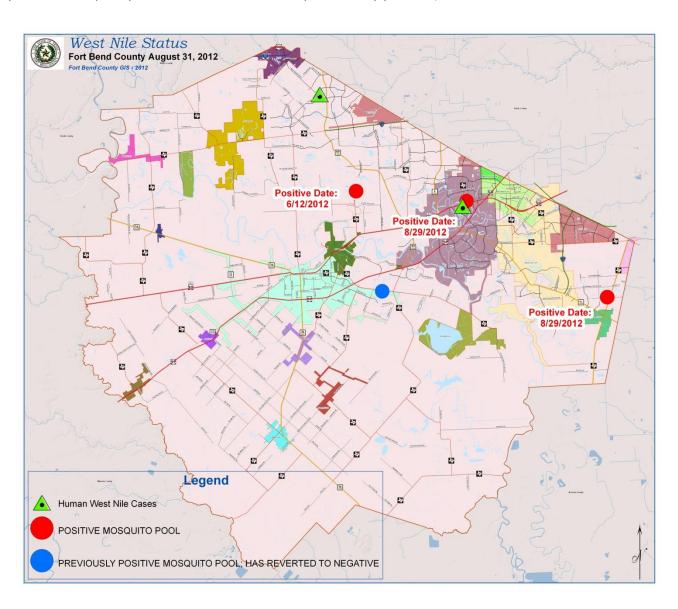
## West Nile Virus Situation Update - Fort Bend County - As of 8/31/12

The number of cases of West Nile Virus (WNV) illness across Texas continues to rise, particularly in the Dallas/Fort Worth Area. In Fort Bend County, there are no new human cases to report this week.

There are now three positive mosquito pools in Fort Bend County after 2 additional routine surveillance sites tested positive this week. One previously positive pool reverted to negative after enhanced spraying. The positive pool in the Pecan Grove area continues to be persistently positive even after remediation. (At this time in 2011, Fort Bend County was reporting 3 positive mosquito pools, none of which were persistently positive).



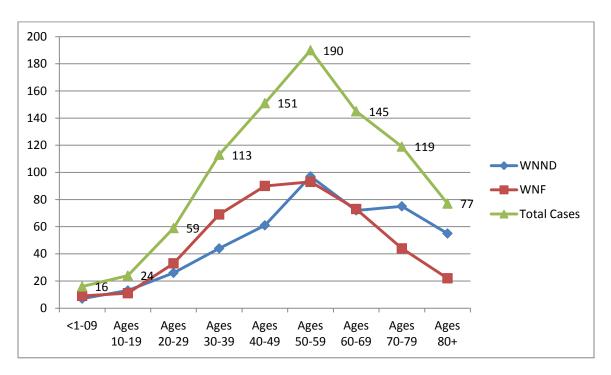
Please see the table below for the most up to date information on confirmed West Nile illness reported in Fort Bend County & Texas.

HUMAN WEST NILE	FORT BEND	Fort Bend	TEXAS	Texas
NEUROINVASIVE DISEASE (WNND)	COUNTY	County		Deaths
(to date for 2012)		Deaths		
Cases Reported as of 8.10.12	2	0	137	15
Cases Reported as of 8.20.12	2	0	586	21*
Cases Reported as of 8.27.12	2	0	723	30
Cases Reported as of 8.31.12	2	0	894	34**

<sup>\*</sup>Two additional deaths have been reported by Harris County as of 8/21/12 not reflected here.

The two (2) human cases in Fort Bend County were detected in the cities of Katy and Sugar Land. The Katy case was a resident between the ages of 0-14 years of age and the Sugar Land case was between the ages of 35-44. Both have been released home from the hospitals.

The average age of those acquiring WNND in Texas is 55.8 years, and the average age of the fatalities is 80.3 years. The number of equine cases of WNV has increased to 21 cases so far this year in Texas.



<sup>\*\*</sup> Sourced from DSHS website dated 8/30/12

## Points of Interest

- Site mitigation efforts continue in the Pecan Grove area.
  - Environmental Health and Road and Bridge staff continues to identify and treat standing pools of water as they are located or informed of them.
  - An 8 to 10 foot pathway has been cleared around the perimeter of the property to allow better access for treatment and mitigation efforts.
  - o Area of concern still being reviewed for designation as a wetlands area.
  - Trash, debris, containers and old tires with stagnant water continues to be pulled from the thick vegetation.
- On camera interview with KPRC Channel 2 (8.28.12)
   <a href="http://www.click2houston.com/news/Fort-Bend-County-no-longer-testing-dead-birds-for-West-Nile-virus/-/1735978/16401908/-/2rxby5/-/index.html">http://www.click2houston.com/news/Fort-Bend-County-no-longer-testing-dead-birds-for-West-Nile-virus/-/1735978/16401908/-/2rxby5/-/index.html</a>
- On camera story for Missouri City Television (8.28.12) http://www.missouricitytx.gov/?NID=534
- Distributed Mosquito Testing press release with specific problem location (Pecan Grove) to local media, commissioners, community newsletters (8.28.12)
- Additional WNV information published in September 2012 Pecan Grove Property Owner's Newsletter